

his parking permits, pointed out a useful shopping centre and "because the wife will then be ready for a cup of tea", recommended a pleasant tea shop. He expressed our own thoughts as he drove away by saying "I hope you will both want to come back again".

P.S. The birch blocks with the *scoliaeformis* cocoons travelled perfectly well and were then kept outside in the garden in a large glass aquarium tank, having been reaccommodated into a large cushion of sphagnum moss which rested on six inches of damp sand. Emergences took place from 24th June to 7th July. These confirmed Baynes's observations that specimens from Ireland are indeed larger than those from Scotland; comparative wingspan ranges being 28-34 mm. and 25-30 mm.

## Current Literature

### British Caterpillars. Butterflies; Moths Bk. I; Moths Bk. II.

An illustrated selection of caterpillars found in the British Isles. Text and coloured photographs by George Hyde.

Jarrold Colour Publications, Norwich, 40p each.

George Hyde needs little introduction to our readers as a field lepidopterist and photographer. In this series of three little books each illustrates 40 different larvae in colour, in their natural postures on their foodplants. The plates are superb and apart from their aesthetic appeal, form an excellent reference source. It is to be hoped that the series will be continued.

There are introductions on habits and rearing techniques. Each plate has a short summary of the distribution, time of appearance, how to find and pupating habits of each species.

The species figured include many which have rarely been photographed before, such as: *Erebia epiphron*, *Coenonympha tullia*, *Pyrgus malvae*, *Chaonia ruficornis*, *Eilema caniola*, *Hadena contigua*, *Notodonta trepida*, *Hyppa rectilinia*, to name but a few.

Well worth having at a bargain price. — E.H.W.

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COSMOPTERIX ZIEGLERELLA (HUBNER) IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE.  
— On 4th September, 1976, I found empty mines of *Cosmopterix zieglerella* at Horseheath in Cambridgeshire. This represents a new vice-county record for the species, as well as a considerable extension of the known range of what is normally considered a rare moth.

Such an extension suggests that it would be worth while for entomologists to look for this species on hop in areas where it was not previously known to occur. Such search has already produced a record from South Essex by Col. Emmet.  
— P. J. JOHNSON, 7 Haverhill Road, Horseheath, Cambridge, CB1 6QR, 1.ii.1978.